## **BEGINNING OF REVIEW**

A Certificate of Need application has been submitted to the Department of Health on behalf of Extendicare Homes, Inc., under the provisions of Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 70.38. This application proposes the establishment of a 120-bed nursing home healthcare facility to be located in the city of Spokane within Spokane County. The capital expenditure associated with this project is \$14,000,000.00.

The Certificate of Need Program will not convene a public hearing regarding this proposal <u>unless requested</u>. To request a public hearing, the request must be submitted in writing and received by regular or overnight mail at the Certificate of Need Program, Department of Health, 310 Israel Road, post office box 47852, Olympia, Washington 98504-7852 by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 23, 2007. The request must include the name, address, and signature of the person making the request. **Faxed requests will not be accepted.** If a public hearing is scheduled, the hearing notice will be published in the Spokesman-Review at least 15 days prior to the date of the hearing.

If no public hearing is held, all data, comments, or arguments regarding the application must be submitted in writing and received by regular or overnight mail at the Certificate of Need Program by March 15, 2007. **Faxed comments will not be accepted.** If there is no public hearing, the department's review of the project should be completed on May 14, 2007.

If you have any questions or would like a copy of the application, please call Peter Agabi (360) 236-2959

For additional information or details, log into the Certificate of Need website: www.doh.wa.gov/hsqa/FSL/certneed/